Docket No.: 118839.0101 (PATENT)

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Reissue Application of:

Francis CARROLL

Application No.: 10/797,934 Confirmation No.: 4211

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For: SPORTS SHOE CLEATS Examiner: M. D. Patterson

## STATUS INQUIRY

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

The Applicant, through undersigned counsel, respectfully wishes to know the status of the above-captioned application.

On March 16, 2007, in response to a request by the Examiner, the Applicant filed a new Reissue Application Declaration by the Inventor, a Consent of Assignee, and a Statement under 37 C.F.R. § 3.73. The Applicant's representative was informed that the filing of those papers would place the application into condition for allowance. However, no further action from the Office has been received to date.

The Applicant respectfully requests that the present request be handled promptly for the following reasons. First, as the Office has been informed, the patent sought to be reissued is in litigation that has been stayed pending the outcome of the reissue proceeding. Second, an allowance in the reissue application was originally counted on May 3, 2006, which was almost a year ago.

It is respectfully requested that the attorney named below be advised of the status of the above-identified application. In particular, since the Applicant respectfully submits that the application is now in condition for allowance, notice of such allowance is earnestly solicited.

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